

## Among the Mines

Devoted to the Large Mining Interests of Fergus County—General Notes.

### Mining Men Leave for Home.

Captain H. H. Reed, of New York City, and Dr. W. C. Harding, of Detroit, after spending three weeks in this city and vicinity looking over some mining properties with R. E. L. Townsend and associates, left Monday morning on the Great Falls coach for the railroad. From Great Falls they will go to the coast for a few weeks and then return to their eastern homes. During their stay in this city the captain and doctor made numerous friends who regretted to see them leave. Both are whole-souled, genial gentlemen and, though born and raised in the east, understand thoroughly how to make themselves solid with western people. They were both much impressed with this country and showed their faith in the future mineral development of Fergus county by investing several thousand dollars in various properties. They have bargained for several bonds which will be taken up if the development, which will be started at once, justifies. They, in company with a car load of their friends from the east, expect to pay Lewistown and the adjacent mining camps another visit in the summer. Captain Reed and Doctor Harding came to Lewistown upon the representation of R. E. L. Townsend, in whose knowledge of good mining propositions they have the most implicit confidence. He accompanied them to the railroad and will be gone from the city for a few days. Townsend has at his command the means and the energy to do some effective prospecting and fully expects to open up something good before winter falls again.

The stockholders of the Kendall Mining Co. last week received their regular monthly dividends amounting to five cents a share or \$25,000 in all. Because of severe weather conditions, February was the poorest month the company has had in a year and a half, nevertheless the regular dividend was declared and the month of March promises to show a large increase.

Last week H. H. Lang and Charles D. Allen, of Kendall, bonded to J. E. Wasson, of Gilt Edge, the Springer, Lookout and Hillside lodes, located south of the Kendall group in the North Moccasin mountains. The bond was for \$10,000, two hundred dollars of which was paid down and the remainder to be paid in two installments, the first of \$5,000 on or before June 1st, and the second installment of \$4,800 on or before September 1, 1904. Mr. Wasson then bonded the same claims to W. C. Harding, H. H. Reed and R. E. L. Townsend, the consideration given being \$20,000, of which \$10,200 was "cash in hand" and the remainder to be paid at the same times and in the same amounts as were specified in the first bond. The second bond further specifies that Reed, Harding and Townsend shall, before September 1st, organize a mining corporation with a capitalization not to exceed \$600,000, of which \$200,000 of the stock shall be set aside as treasury stock. They shall also deposit in the Judith Basin bank to the credit and in the name of C. D. Allen and H. H. Lang, two certificates of the capital stock of the company so organized of the value of \$50,000 each.

Dr. S. S. Stebbins, of Springfield, Mass., and Mr. Mershon, of Hartford, Conn., who came to Lewistown to look over some of the mining properties which Lee Townsend and Floyd Hazzard have been locating, left Friday on the Fort Benton coach for the railroad on their way to their homes. They expressed themselves as highly pleased with this country and prophesied a great future for the mining industry in Fergus county. They made some investments while here and fully expect to revisit this city and county at an early date.

### Dr. Gunn's Blood and Nerve Tonic.

There is not a woman in this land but at some time in her life would have been the better for the use of this tonic. For diseases peculiar to women a better medicine was never made. It is composed of the ingredients from which the system has been deprived by disease, over work or disipation. It enters at once into the circulation, building up the tissues that have wasted, and making pure, rich blood in the most direct way. For weak, nervous and unsoundy people, it will make strong, steady nerves and give the complexion that wholesome look that indicates health. We have hundreds of letters that people have written us, saying they had

gained in good solid flesh at the rate of one to three pounds per week, while using Dr. Gunn's Blood and Nerve Tonic. It should be taken after meals, one or two tablets at each time. Druggists sell it for 75c per box, or three boxes for \$2, or sent post-paid on receipt of price. We are glad to make reply to letters of inquiry, the advice we give you is very plain and easily understood. Address Dr. Bosanko Co., Philadelphia, Pa. For sale by Delzell Drug Co., Lewistown, Mont.

### To Those Interested in Education.

Owing to the lack of space for Montana educational exhibit purposes, much of the work, which is really meritorious, will have to be left out. An earnest effort is being put forth to bring this work before the people of Montana at our state fair. In order to exhibit the work so ably and creditably done by our schools, it will be necessary to raise a small sum of money in each county for the purpose of erecting an educational building on the state fair grounds, this building to be used exclusively for educational exhibits. The amount of money necessary to erect and equip such a building will be approximately \$2,500.

From the number of schools in this county we should be willing to assume to raise \$100 of this amount. If everyone will take hold of this with a will it will be no burden to any particular district.

A plan which would be rather commendable, is to have the teacher act as chairman of a committee, and every pupil as one member of the committee and solicit small sums, and in this way the pupils themselves will take great personal interest, from the fact that they will be directly aiding in the erection of a building in which their work is to be exhibited.

There are 2,458 children of school age in this county, and if we could have the help of 2,000 of them it would require only the small sum of five cents each to raise the \$100.

Every school will be expected to contribute to the educational exhibit, as well as to the financial part of this scheme.

### ADA MEYERSICK.

County Superintendent of Schools.

For Sale—Gentle pony with saddle and bridle. Tom Smith.

### The Independent Platform.

We, the independent party of the city of Lewistown, in convention assembled, do hereby approve, ratify and endorse in every particular the action of the independent party, and believing that a city campaign should be confined to municipal issues, we guarantee to the citizens of Lewistown, regardless of political affiliations, a continuance of the policies adopted in all its essential principles. We condemn the action of the fusion party, its attorneys and political agents in seeking to defeat the will of the people as heretofore expressed at the polls, and all tactics of a like nature. We do solemnly promise to the citizens of Lewistown to remove said obstacles as fast as possible and as soon as the same are removed the will of the people shall be carried out and obeyed to the letter.

The policy of the party is not to farm out the city labor to a favored few, which has been faithfully adhered to, and we pledge our candidates, if elected a non-continuance of the same.

Upon all measures of municipal importance or involving the expenditure of a considerable sum of money, we pledge ourselves to submit such matters directly to the vote of the people for their approval or rejection. We especially condemn the acts of the former administration for the way they have forced upon the people of Lewistown a water system that is totally inadequate for their needs and requirements.

We also condemn the sanitary conditions of the city and the acts of the administration, which by dilatoriness has permitted our streets and alleys to become cesspools, fatal to health and a disgrace to our city.

We condemn the fusion methods that has kept thousands of dollars out of circulation, which properly belonged to the taxpayers to satisfy a favored few that they might benefit thereby. We believe that fusion methods should be abolished and that the fatted calf rightfully belongs to the people. We pledge all of our candidates to the principles herein affirmed.

### COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

### A Severe Cold for Three Months.

The following letter from A. J. Nussbaum, of Batesville, Ind., tells its own story: "I suffered for three months with a severe cold. A druggist prescribed me some medicine, and a physician prescribed for me, yet I did not improve. I then tried Foley's Honey and Tar, and eight doses cured me." Refuse substitutes. Sold by E. F. McKeechle.

## KNAPP WINS THE DECISION

Register and Receiver of the Land Office Settle Long Standing Land Quarrel.

### UNSURVEYED LAND IN DISPUTE

Decision a Comprehensive One and Covers Some Important Points—A. C. Logan the Loser.

The decision in the case of Albert C. Logan, contestant, vs. Lauren B. Knapp, claimant, involving desert land entry Nos. 1244 and 1245, was delivered by the register and receiver last Saturday, the decision being in favor of the claimant.

The land involved in the controversy was lots 2 and 3, sec 5, tp 12 n, r 17 e. On August 28, the date set for hearing the application for Knapp's final proof, Logan appeared and filed affidavit of protest against the allowance of final proof, alleging priority of settlement. David M. Mikelson also filed a protest against Logan's D. L. E. No. 1445, but later it was determined that Logan's entry did not conflict with the land claimed by Mikelson and the protest was withdrawn and Logan submitted final proof.

The protest of Logan vs. Knapp was heard Nov. 12, 1903. Both parties claimed to have settled upon and improved the land in conflict previous to filing Knapp's final proof. Improvements on the northern and Logan on the southern portion. They have been quarrelling over the possession for years, until finally an order issued from the district court forbidding either to interfere with the other, pending proceedings in the land office. R. von Tobel appeared for Logan and Hunsdon, Worden & Smith for the claimant, Knapp. The decision in full was as follows:

Settlement upon unsurveyed land with the intention of eventually filing upon it as a desert claim confers no right. The right to reclaim land under the desert land act is initiated by filing the declaratory statement and the payment of twenty-five cents per acre. Knapp's filing was made May 31, 1900; Logan did not file until December 11, 1900. Without reference to the description of the unsurveyed portion of Knapp's entry, when tp 12 n, r 17 e, is surveyed, he will have the first right to adjust his entry to the lines of survey, pending which, by virtue of his priority of filing he is entitled to the possession of the lands he has located and reclaimed, what ever may eventually be found to be its legal subdivisions.

What land he has located and reclaimed we can only determine from the plat filed in connection with Knapp's final proof, and the testimony submitted.

From this it appears that part of the land he alleges to have located and reclaimed joins the sec 4, sec 31, and the sec 4, sec 32, tp 13 n, r 17 e, upon the south.

Claimant testifies that he owns and controls and has a clear right to the use of sufficient water to irrigate all of the irrigable portions of his entry and keep it permanently irrigated. That there are five ditches coming from the various springs on the land adjacent, and reservoirs of adequate size to carry sufficient water to irrigate the land, and that the total cost of reclamation, including fencing surrounding the land, cross fences and cultivation, exceeds three dollars per acre. This testimony is all corroborated by the witnesses Mikelson, Killman and Thelan.

While it does not appear that much cultivation has been done upon the eighty acres in contest, yet it is shown that about forty acres in all has been plowed and cultivated upon the entry. Neither does it appear that the southern portion of the 80 acres in contest has been reclaimed by claimant. This is explained by the quarrels of these litigants as to possession, contestant appearing to have held possession of the southern portion.

The water right filed with the final proof of claimant consists of a water right filed by claimant in 1895, of fifteen inches of water, of two certain springs in the northeast quarter of section six, tp 12 n, r 17 e, Mont. P. M., for use on the sec 4, sec 31, sec 32, part of claimant's preemption, and which he testifies was afterwards extended to his desert entry. In addition, it appears that he has used the waters of four other springs to reclaim the land.

The testimony of contestant and his witnesses chiefly relates to the extent and valuation of his improvements upon the land alleged to be in conflict and upon the balance of his entry, and to his date of settlement. Both parties claim the fence on the south of the land in conflict, the only testimony controverting the amount of water and size of ditches is that of contestant, and refers to the reclamation of the eighty acres in conflict.

We are of the opinion from the testimony submitted that the eighty acres adjoining the sec 4, sec 31, sec 32, and the sec 4, sec 31, tp 13 n, r 17 e, Mont. P. M., upon the south, is part of desert entry No. 1244 of Lauren B. Knapp, made May 31, 1900, and that any portion of D. L. E. No. 1445, of Albert C. Logan, made December 11, 1900, conflicting therewith, should be canceled, and that the final proof of Lauren B. Knapp, submitted upon D. L. E. No. 1244, should be approved upon his filing record evidence of his right to the use of sufficient waters of the different springs testified to, to reclaim the land.

Watch for announcement of military opening next week at Powers.

### Sheep for Sale.

I have for sale about 2,000 coming 3-year-old ewes, well bred and well wintered; would like to sell them before lambing. They may be seen at my ranch 8 miles south of Gilt Edge on McDonald creek.

BENJ. J. HILL.

P. O. Gilt Edge, Montana.

### Presbyterian Notes.

The Young People's society of Christian Endeavor will be held Thursday night by Mr. Pfau, Topic, "What

### Jesus Did for His Country and What We May Do for Ours.

Home Workers and missionary society for women will meet with Mrs. C. W. Thurston Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock to be entertained by Mrs. Thurston, Mrs. Warren and Mrs. Beebe. Strangers welcome.

Easter services next Sunday morning and evening at the Presbyterian church. Musical program by double quartet and soloists. Sermons by the pastor. Public reception of all new members, baptism and communion at the morning hour. Come early.

Annual supper and meeting for all the congregation Tuesday evening, April 5th, from 6 to 7:30 p. m.

New class for young people conducted by the pastor at the Sunday school hour, 12:15 Sunday.

Rubber boots, shoes and mackintoshes at Powers.

### Dangers of Pneumonia.

A cold at this time if neglected is liable to cause pneumonia which is so often fatal, and even when the patient has recovered the lungs are weakened, making them peculiarly susceptible to the development of consumption. Foley's Honey and Tar will stop the cough, heal and strengthen the lungs and prevent pneumonia. Sold by E. F. McKeechle.

### NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE.

1. Albert Pfau, City Clerk of the City of Lewistown, Montana, do hereby certify that the following includes the names of all persons to be voted for at the general election to be held within the City of Lewistown, Monday, April 4th, 1904:

### Citizens' Non-Partisan Ticket.

For Alderman First Ward—HENRY C. BROWN.

For Alderman Second Ward—GEYMOUTH D. SYMMES.

For Alderman Third Ward—JOHN LAUX.

### Independent Ticket.

For Alderman First Ward—W. E. CULVER.

For Alderman Second Ward—CHRISTIAN WEIDERMAN.

For Alderman Third Ward—CHAS. WENWORTH.

### Socialist Ticket.

For Alderman First Ward—G. S. CREED.

For Alderman Second Ward—FRANK M. PARTRIDGE.

For Alderman Third Ward—H. B. McDONALD.

ALBERT PFAUS, City Clerk.

Dated at Lewistown, March 30, 1904.

### Cut flowers for Easter at Delzell Drug Co.

### HAD A ROUGH TRIP.

Mrs. Sadie Hoffman and Her Mother Drive Through From Dorsey.

Mrs. Sadie Hoffman and her mother arrived in Lewistown Saturday after one of the worst trips that two ladies ever made. Mrs. Hoffman met her mother, Mrs. Erwin, of Chicago, in Helena three weeks ago. They left Helena Thursday week and got to Dorsey Saturday. That day they left Dorsey by private conveyance for Lewistown. They went first to White Sulphur Springs, from there to Two-Dot and from Two-Dot to Garnett by way of the old stage road. They came in from Garnett last Saturday, having been just one week on the way from Dorsey. Mrs. Erwin will spend the summer with her daughter.

### GREAT SOCIAL EVENT.

Ladies of the Catholic Church Will Give Basket Social.

The ladies of the Catholic church will give a basket social in Forester's hall Wednesday evening, April 8th. The ladies intend to make this one of the social events of the season. A handsome present will be awarded to the gentleman having purchased the handsomest basket and another prize will be given the lady who puts up the prize basket. An orchestra will discourse music throughout the evening and interesting features of entertainment will be devised.

See our display of Easter flowers Saturday afternoon. Delzell Drug Co.

### Working Overtime.

Eight hour laws are ignored by those tireless little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work night and day, curing biliousness, constipation, sick headache and all stomach, liver and bowel troubles. Easy, pleasant, safe, sure. Only 25c at Delzell Drug Co.

### FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Meeting to be held in this City Next Monday and Tuesday.

The second meeting of the farmers' institute to be held in Fergus county will be opened in the court house next Monday morning and will continue for two days. The program is a particularly attractive one and all ranchers and stockmen should shape their affairs so that they can be present at least one day and both days if possible.

I. D. O'Donnell, the alfalfa expert of Yellowstone county, will present. His practical talk on the growing and feeding of alfalfa and on irrigation, are of great benefit to ranchmen and stockmen. As has of been pointed out by his paper, the dairying business offers great opportunities to Fergus county ranchmen. Mr. W. O. Parker, county commissioner of Yellowstone county, is probably more conversant with the practical features of this industry than any other man in the state. Mr. Parker will also talk on the subject of "Diversified Farming."

John W. Pace has made a special study of livestock and will give some instructive talks on his favorite subject. He will also speak on the "Organization Among Farmers," a subject which is now uppermost in the minds of many ranchmen. This course of lectures, Prof. R. A. Cooley, state entomologist, has a series of practical lectures on insect pests and how to deal with them. It will be a meeting of unusual interest and a good attendance is expected. Following is the list of topics which Prof. M. Silloway has received from Prof. Lindfield of Bozeman, who has charge of the institute:

Mr. I. D. O'Donnell, "Growing and Feeding Alfalfa," "Alfalfa and Its Possibilities," "Irrigation."

Mr. W. O. Parker, "Dairying," "Thorough Cultivation Essential in Growing Crops," "Diversified Farming."

Mr. Jno. W. Pace, "Live Stock and the Breeding of Horses and Cattle," "Organizations Among Farmers."

Prof. R. A. Cooley, "Cross Fertilization of Flowers," "Insect Pests of Small Fruits," "Insect Pests of the Apple," "Insects of the Garden," "Bee-

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### WAR NOT A THRILLER.

Japs and Russians Are Furnishing Little Excitement.

To those who expected a brilliant war, with Balaklavas, Shilohs, Austertizes, Lookout Mountains, San Juan Hills, Manilas and Santiagos following one another in rapid succession and bewildering profusion, all shining gloriously with sanguinary deeds of heroism and sublimity, the Russo-Japanese conflict is a distinct and bitter disappointment. Not by a long shot is it living up to its advance notices. In the very first inning the Japs gave promise of doing some remarkably clever and snappy work, but their battling average has since fallen off distressingly. As for the Russians, they have yet to demonstrate their ability to play any kind of aggressive ball.

Such listless and indifferent playing is filling the grand stand with emotions of disgust and scorn. The more uncalculated of the spectators are hurling such epithets as "dubs" and "lobsters" at the players; while the learned and dignified, like the Chicago Chronicle, rise to remark that "the military critics confess that what they first regarded as profound and comprehensive strategy now appears to be nothing more than aimless tomfoolery. They are unable to discover any wise purpose or any purpose at all in the movements of the Japanese army, and just as little in the costly bombardment of land batteries by the Japanese navy. So far as Russia is concerned it does not take a military expert to see that the campaign has been composed in equal parts of impotent threats and boasting with a sloth and stolidity perfectly Chinese. There is not visible in the entire Russian program a single gleam of intelligence or a single symptom of vigorous purpose. All is paralysis, hopelessness and silly bragging."

There is ground for these expressions of dissatisfaction. If Viceroy Alexieff's dispatches to the czar may be believed, the Japs in Tuesday morning's bombardment of Port Arthur fired a total of 298 shells, 100 at the town and 108 at its environments. With the result, according to the same authority, that four Russians were killed, nine more were wounded, and still another one was bruised. Relative to the number of shots fired, this was just about as brilliant a bombardment as the affair at Matanzas, with its historic casualty list of one male killed. What is the matter with the men behind the guns? A woman throwing a stone at a cat could give an exhibition of marksmanship quite as creditable. Educated as they have been by the horrors of the Boer war, the Chinese-Japanese war and the Chinese Boxer rebellion, the spectators in the grand stand clamor for more rapid movement, and more tragic, thrilling and bloody catastrophes. As an excitement producer, this war is proving a lamentable failure.

### WORKS TWO WAYS.

The Walking Delegate Confronted With a Strike at Home.

The walking delegate never tired of talking of the strike. He held that it was justifiable if ever a strike was, and he was prepared to demonstrate that it was perfectly proper to strike to secure a desired result. He told his wife so, and she seemed to agree with him. She said it seemed the easiest way. And that night when he came home he found that the table was not set. "I want a new dress," she said, when he asked what the trouble was. "I know. You've been bothering me for that dress for a month," he said, "but how about supper?" "There isn't any," she replied. "This is a strike."

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Meaning the pantry?" he remarked. "Meaning the pantry," she returned. "I believe I'll get a bite," he said. "It's locked," she replied. "The reserve is to be used simply to keep the strike going. You can't touch the strikers' resources."

"Be careful, Mary," he said, warningly. "If I shut of the cash—" She nodded toward the locked pantry. "I can stick it out a week," she returned.

Five or ten minutes later he proposed that they compromise on the basis of \$10.

"Twenty," she replied firmly. "But I can't afford it," he answered. "That's your business," she answered. "I offered to arbitrate once."

It was ten o'clock that night when he finally gave in; and somehow he felt he had experienced a new phase of the strike business. It looked different from the other sides of the fence.

DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF—Notice for Publication—U. S. Land Office, Lewistown, Mont., March 29, 1904. Notice is hereby given that

WILLIAM F. STAPLETON, of Rockford, Fergus county, Mont., has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert land claim No. 1405, for the sec 4, sec 28, tp 14 n, r 16 e, Mont. P. M., before the register and receiver at Lewistown, Montana, on Saturday, the 7th day of May, 1904.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land:

Edward Davies, Lewis A. Williams, Ty. R. Brown, Ernest A. Stapleton, all of Rockford, Mont.

EDWARD BRASSEY, Register. First publication March 30.